



Division of Fish and Wildlife
Boating Education Office
89 Kings Highway
Dover, DE 19901
DNREC

2008 Boating Safety Classes

Effective January 1, 1994, successful completion of a Boating Safety Course is mandatory for persons born on or after January 1, 1978, in order to operate a boat. ** Personal Watercraft is a boat.

NOTE: THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD'S INTERIM LIFE JACKET RULE BECAME EFFECTIVE FOR ALL STATES AS OF DECEMBER 23, 2002. ALL CHILDREN UNDER 13 YEARS OF AGE MUST WEAR USCG APPROVED, PROPERLY FITTED, LIFE JACKETS WHILE ABOARD RECREATIONAL VESSELS UNDERWAY, EXCEPT WHEN THE CHILDREN ARE BELOW DECKS OR IN AN ENCLOSED CABIN.

ON-LINE STATE CERTIFICATION COURSE

Click on <http://www.boat-ed.com>. The home study course is approved by the NASBLA and DNREC, Division of Fish and Wildlife. Click on Delaware and go into the study sections. When you are ready, you can take the pre-test for Boat Ed at no cost. When you are satisfied with the results of the pre-test, you can take the final test at a cost of \$20.00. After you have passed the test, the information is forwarded electronically to the DNREC, Division of Fish and Wildlife Enforcement, Office of Boating Education for a State Boating Certification card.

Two other websites that are NASBLA and DNREC, Division of Fish and Wildlife, approved are <http://www.boaterexam.com> and <http://www.boatcourse.com>.

The Delaware Division of Fish and Wildlife, Office of Boating Education is pleased that you are interested in safe boating on our waters. Our purpose is to provide necessary education to meet the needs of the boating public and fulfill the requirements of Delaware's mandatory education requirements. Boating education teaches boaters to be safe, knowledgeable, and responsible. With more and more people enjoying the ocean, lakes, and rivers every year, it is important for everyone, that boaters educate themselves on boating skills and seamanship. For further information, about Delaware Boating Education Program and scheduled courses, call Sgt. Greg Rhodes at (302) 739-9915 or 1-800-464-4357 or contact him by email at Gregory.Rhodes@state.de.us.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY

U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY,

April 19th

The Coast Guard Auxiliary will be holding a Basic Boating Course at Ommelanden Hunter Education Center, 1205 River Rd, New Castle, DE. It is a one day class s at 8:00am-5:00pm. The charge for this course is \$30.00. For information or to pre-register, contact Paul Eldridge at (302)-737-4479.

DELAWARE SAFETY COUNCIL

April 19th
June 21st
August 16th

The Delaware Safety Council will be holding a Boating Safety Course at the Delaware Safety Council Office, 3 Old Barley Mill Road, Wilmington, DE. It is a one day class from 8:00am-5:00pm. For information or to pre-register, contact the Delaware Safety Council at (302) 654-7786 or 1-800-342-2287.

NEWARK PARKS & RECREATION

May 17th

The Newark Parks & Recreation will be holding a Basic Boating Course at Newark Senior Center, 200 Whitechapel Dr, Newark, DE. It is a one day class s at 8:00am-5:00pm. The charge for this course is \$25.00 per person and have family discounts. For information or to pre-register, call (302)366-7060.

DELAWARE SAFETY COUNCIL

May 17th
July 19th
September 13th

The Delaware Safety Council will be holding a Boating Safety Course at the Smyrna Rest Area, Route 13, Smyrna, DE. It is a one day class from 8:00am-5:00pm. For information or to pre-register, contact the Delaware Safety Council at (302) 654-7786 or 1-800-342-2287.

NEWARK PARKS & RECREATION

June 14th

The Newark Parks & Recreation will be holding a Basic Boating Course at Newark Senior Center, 400 Whitechapel Dr, Newark, DE. It is a one day class at 8:00am-5:00pm. The charge for this course is \$28.00 per person and have family discounts. For information or to pre-register, call (302)366-7060.

KENT COUNTY

STATE OF DELAWARE

May 5th and 6th
June 16th and 17th
July 1st and 2nd
August 4th and 5th
September 2nd and 3rd
October 20th and 21st
November 17th and 18th

The State of Delaware will be holding a Basic Boating Course at the DNREC Building, 89 Kings Highway, Dover, DE. It is a two night course from 6:00-10:00pm. The charge for this course is \$10.00 for individual and \$25.00 for family. For information or to pre-register, contact Sgt. Gregory Rhodes or Jessica Gondeck at 302-739-9915.

DELAWARE SAFETY COUNCIL

April 26th

The Delaware Safety Council will be holding a Boating Safety Course at Delaware Technical & Community College, Terry Campus, Dover, DE. It is a one day class from 8:00am-5:00pm. For information or to pre-register, contact the Delaware Safety Council at (302) 654-7786 or 1-800-342-2287.

SUSSEX COUNTY

U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY, FLOTILLA 12-02

April 19th
May 17th
June 21st
July 19th

The Coast Guard Auxiliary will be holding a Boating Safety Course in the Angola Estates, Lewes, DE. It is a one day class from 8:00am to 4:30pm. The charge for this course is \$10.00. For information or to pre-register, contact Charlotte Anderson at (302)-945-1379 or Evie Simmons at (302)-227-2387 or register online at <http://a0531202.uscgaux.info/>

U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY, FLOTILLA 12-01

April 26th

The Coast Guard Auxiliary will be holding a Boating Safety Course at South Bethany Town Hall, South Bethany, DE. It is a one day class starts at 7:30am. For information or to pre-register, contact Tom Burns at (302)-539-9326.

U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY, FLOTILLA 12-01

May 10th

The Coast Guard Auxiliary will be holding a Boating Safety Course at Millville Fire Hall, Millville, DE. It is a one day class starts at 7:30am. For information or to pre-register, contact Tom Burns at (302)-539-9326.

CAPTAIN COURSES

CAPTAIN'S LICENSE PREPARATORY COURSE

Charter Captain's License Courses are held at the Delaware Technical & Community College, Georgetown, DE. Classes start the first Tuesday in the months of February and September. This is a 12 week course, one night a week from 6:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. For information or to pre-register, contact Captain Ken Daniel or Captain Bill Tyndall at (410) 228-0674 or (410) 943-8133 or visit their website at www.rdboat.com